

MARIONVILLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

Marionville Conference Room, 101 S Central

Thursday, September 9, 2021

Mayor Blankenship called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. On roll call the following Aldermen were present: Murlin Bettinger, Doris Rapp, Gina Herndon and Melissa Freeman. Joanne Lawrence was absent.

Following roll call, Mayor Blankenship led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and Doris Rapp opened the meeting with prayer.

**Approve Order of Agenda:** Alderman Freeman made the motion to approve the order of the agenda as presented. Alderman Herndon seconded. Motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 4- Bettinger, Freeman, Herndon, Rapp

**Approve minutes August 24, 2021 regular session:** Alderman Bettinger made the motion to approve the minutes of August 24 as presented. Alderman Freeman seconded. Motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 4- Herndon, Rapp, Freeman, Bettinger

**Approve payment of Bills, Adjustments, Bank Recs and Cash Reports:** Alderman Rapp made the motion to approve payment of Bills, Adjustments, Bank Recs and Cash Reports as presented. Alderman Freeman seconded. Motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 4- Freeman, Bettinger, Rapp, Herndon

***Citizens Comments/Official Guests & Visitors***

(None)

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Aldermen reviewed Department Reports. ACO, Karyn Marsh transported seven dogs to Joplin. Police Chief Coatney informed the Board his concerns included getting officers and updating our equipment.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Sealing Streets:** Aldermen reviewed the rental specifications and prices from SASCO Pavement Coatings. Alderman Freeman made the motion to rent the equipment from SASCO Pavement Coatings for one (1) week and use up to two (2) pallets of material to seal a few areas; plus allow Public Works to rent an air compressor if needed to clean the area to be sealed. Alderman Rapp seconded. Motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 4- Rapp, Freeman, Bettinger, Herndon

**Cemetery Endowment Fund:** Mayor Blankenship has not had time to follow up on this. It will be on next month's agenda.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

*Police Agreement with Aurora:* Chief Coatney reviewed some recommended changes to the agreement. They included removing the part pertaining to dispatching services since the county is providing that now. It was recommended to increase the annual fee from \$35,300.00 to \$37,500.00 and to review yearly to update as the cost of living increases. Since going to the 911 dispatch, they are no longer doing paper logs. The board indicated they were ok with these recommendations and would review a new agreement.

*Radar Guns for Police Department:* New radar guns have been ordered for \$2195.00. We can reimburse the City of Aurora for one if we want to have one installed in our car. Alderman Freeman made the motion to reimburse Aurora \$2195.00 for a radar gun for Marionville's car. Alderman Bettinger seconded. Motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 4- Bettinger, Rapp, Herndon, Freeman

*Police Officer Uniform Change:* Chief Coatney is considering external vests and different style of pants. Captain Bliss is looking at a patch blending Aurora and Marionville together.

*Seal and Restripe Municipal Building Parking Lot:* Ty Snider stated at this point he was going to restripe the parking lots at the municipal building, city hall and the fire station. He would probably seal the municipal building parking lot when he rented the sealing equipment.

*Public Works Lawn Mowers (sell, trade-in, buy):* Several months ago, we considered selling/trading in mowers and purchasing a new one however we received no bids. We didn't do anything at that time. We have someone interested in a mower and they have turned in a sealed bid and Ty would like to consider selling one and trading one in for a new mower. The board looked at the three (3) bids Ty had for new mowers:

--Sutherlands \$5298.00 without trade-in

--Crown \$6100.00 with trade-in

--Powersports \$4800.00 with trade-in

Mayor Blankenship opened the sealed bid--\$1,000.00 for any of the three (3) mowers from Seth Forester. Alderman Freeman made the motion for public works to keep the newest of the three mowers and to accept Seth Forester's bid of \$1,000 for one of the other mowers then use the remaining mower to trade-in on the Bad Boy mower from Powersports. Alderman Herndon seconded. Motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 4- Bettinger, Herndon, Rapp, Freeman

*Flood Insurance Renewal at the Treatment Plant:* Alderman Rapp made the motion to keep the amount of insurance coverage currently in force. Alderman Freeman seconded. Motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 4- Herndon, Rapp, Freeman, Bettinger

**Aldermen comments:**

*Doris Rapp:* Still concerned about all of the nuisances. She got 3 bids and had a tree taken down at the cemetery. Mr. Leiby is going to cut markers out of donated aluminum for direction markers at the cemetery. The signs recognizing the baseball team are probably going to be on top of the current Welcome to Marionville signs.

*Melissa Freeman:* Thanked the Street Department for taking out the trees in Logan Park and getting with Mr. Hicks to find a place to put the hydrant. She reminded everyone Applefest is the 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Mayor comments:**

Republic Services is trying to find a date for a city wide clean up.

**Adjournment**

Alderman Freeman made the motion to adjourn; seconded by Alderman Rapp. All voted aye. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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Dale Blankenship, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Debbie Bateman, City Clerk